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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Gold shipments abroad will commence to-day. —— The British government has protested against China making a convention with any power until the present troubles in that country are concluded. —— Advices from St. Petersburg are that the Russo-Chinese agreement will be signed shortly —— The U. S. cruiser New York has been ordered from Tangier to Manila. —— Boer and British forces in Cape Colony continue fighting; encounters are indecisive. —— Burglars at New Orleans killed John Favalona and his daughter and then ransacked the house. —— Norwegian fruit steamer Gwent is ashore on Long Island; probably a total loss. —— In West Virginia Chas. Core shot and killed a child of John Hogar and seriously wounded the father. —— Emperor William will hereafter, in public, have a body guard of four men on bicycles. —— The impeachment trial at Raleigh will be concluded to-day; an acquittal is anticipated. ——Eight thousand people died of the plague last week in Bengal. —— Mattie Graham shot and killed John Walsh at Houston, Texas. —— Texas farmers are urged to take action towards a reduction of acreage in cotton. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady at 2½@3 per cent; cotton—dull; middling uplands 8 1-16c.; flour was steady and moderately active for choice brands; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 81½c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 49c; oats—spot steady, No. 2 30½c; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine dull.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Wilmington, N. C., March 27.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 53 degrees; 8 P. M., 57 degrees; maximum, 68 degrees; minimum, 51 degrees; mean, 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .0; rainfall since first of the month to date, 3.95 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M, 28.3 feet and rising.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

Washington, March 27.—For North Carolina.— Fair in eastern; rain probable in western portions Thursday; winds becoming easterly, fresh to brisk on the coast. Friday, rain probable.

Port Almanac March 28

Sun Rises	5 53 A. M.
Sun Sets	6 19 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H. 25 M.
High Wate at Southport.	1.52 A M
High Water Wilmington	4 22 A M

And now the German tool makers want more protection from the American tool makers, who are shipping tools to Germany. They all find the tariff a good tool to use for their own benefit.

The Legislature of Minnesota sat down hard on the cigarette and passed an act forbidding the selling or giving away to any one any cigarette, cigarette paper or any substitution for both or either, under a penalty of $50 for each offence.

Minister Wu says they sometimes call him a "joker." He may be a joker but he insists that he is not a "liar," and always speaks the truth about his country. In not being a liar he presents a conspicuous contrast to some American celebrities.

A new industry in New Jersey is making flour out of sweet potatoes. A $1,000,000 company for that purpose has just been chartered. If this flour takes we will have to put up some mills down this way, where the sweet potato is found in all its glory.

Joseph A. Conlin, a clerk in the New York postoffice, appropriated a mail pouch containing $40,000 worth of money orders and stamps and sloped to the Pacific slope. But he wasn't cute enough for the sleuths, who tracked him to San Francisco and took him in.

The abominable habit of Jew baiting seems to have been imported into Chicago from Russia. It is said that twelve or more Jews are assaulted in that city every day simply because they are Jews, and it has become necessary to organize a Protective League to put a stop to that kind of thing.

The question has been asked, "Can Europe civilize Asia?" In view of late proceedings of European powers in China, it might be asked if Asia can civilize Europe. With the exception of the Boxer outrages the Asiatics seem to have the advantage in the matter of civilization.

A Geneva correspondent of the London *Mail* says President Kruger will visit this country about the middle of April, if his health permits. That would be the very thing for him. A trip through this country would rejuvenate him, but we are afraid it would not help his countrymen who are fighting the Britons.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The annual election of officers by the Wilmington lodge of Elks will take place to night.

— James Townsend, colored, was fined $10 by the Mayor yesterday morning for assault and battery.

— Concord Chapter No. 1., R. A. M., will hold a special convocation to night to confer the Past Master's degree.

— The lecture by Mrs. E. H. Stone in the Masonic Temple this evening has been indefinitely postponed.

— Jefferson Lodge of Pythians conferred the first and second degrees upon a number of candidates last night.

— Wilmington Lodge, No. 139, I. O. O. F., will confer the third degree on thirty candidates to-night. Refreshments will be served after the ceremonies.

— Charles Stephen Merritt, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Merritt, 708 Harnett street, died Tuesday night. The remains will be buried at Magnolia this morning.

— Cherokee Tribe No. 9., Improved Order of Red Men, will confer the warriors' and hunters' degree upon a number of candidates to night. All Red Men of the city are invited.

— A meeting of a number of young men interested in the formation of another German club for Wilmington was held last night in the Board of Audit and Finance room at the City Hall.

— Contractor Applegate says it was only a few temporary supports in the frame of the annex to the Seashore Hotel that were blown down by the wind at Wrightsville Tuesday. The damage was of no consequence and will not amount to $10.

LEAGUE UMPIRES ARE ELECTED.

Police Sergeant J. R. Davis, of Wilmington, is One of the Three.

The Newport News *Herald* of a recent date says that President Cunningham, of the Virginia North Carolina Base Ball League, has appointed the following umpires for the coming season:

"Ed." Clark, recommended by Portsmouth and Newport News-Hampton. Mr. Clark is late of the umpire staff of the Southern League, and will be remembered as officiating in the same capacity in the Virginia League in 1894.

Harry Staley, recommended by Norfolk and Richmond. He is a retired National League pitcher, who will be remembered by those who kept up with base ball affairs a few years back.

J. Robert Davis, of Wilmington. He is recommended by Wilmington and Raleigh Mr. Davis, while perhaps without a national reputation, is cosidered an authority on base ball matters

The *Herald* says: "These all seem to be wise selections, and no kick on any of them has been registered from any quarter. As the salary to be paid umpires is large enough to attract the best class in the business, it is reasonable to suppose there will be no trouble from this source during the 1901 season."

The Star learns that Sergeant Davis who has been appointed from Wilmington, has already resigned his position on the force, to take effect April 1st, so as to be able to enter upon his new duties promptly.

Deputy Marshal Resigned.

Mr. T. O. Bunting, who for the past fifteen years or more has served efficiently at Wilmington as Deputy U. S. Marshal, yesterday forwarded his resignation, effective at once, to Marshal H. C. Dockery, of Rockingham. His successor has not yet been appointed. Mr. Bunting assigns no special reason for his resignation other than that he does not care to serve longer from the fact that the duties of the office often very seriously interfere with his other plans and the emoluments are not such as would warrant the devotion of his entire time to the office, at the sacrifice of everything else.

Odd Fellows Celebration.

Mr. W. L Smith is chairman and Mr. J. A. Orrell, secretary of a joint committee from the Odd Fellow lodges of the city to arrange for the annual anniversary celebration later. The event this year will mark the close of the 82nd year since the establishment of the order and it is the present plan to have the exercises in the Opera House. An Odd Fellow of State reputation will be invited to make the address.

Sunday School Workers

The Primary, and Junior Union of Sunday School workers will meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. parlors. The meeting will be conducted by Dr. Blackwell. A full attendance of teachers and other interested in the work is much desired.

City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the Star office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure prompt and regular delivery.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

People's Savings Bank—Have you?
Masonic—Meeting Concord Chapter.
Opera House—"A Booming Town."

HE WAS EXONERATED

Superintendent of Streets Perry Found Not Guilty of Official Dishonesty.

THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Held Special Meeting Last Night at the City Hall--Codification of the Municipal Laws—Charge Against a Police Sergeant.

At a called meeting of the Board of Aldermen at the City Hall last night, lasting from 8 to 10 o'clock, at which Mayor Waddell and all members except Aldermen Springer and MacRae were present, the Streets and Wharves Committee as a result of its investigation upon the night previous, brought in a report completely exonerating Superintendent of Streets J. A. Perry from any breach of official integrity whatever in the matter of the sensational charges brought against him by Mr. F. T. Mills, the horse dealer, particulars of which are well known to readers of these columns.

The report in its entirety, divested of the verbatim evidence taken in shorthand, is as follows:

It having come to the notice of the chairman of the Street and Wharves Committee that Mr. F. T. Mills was credited with having made the statement that Superintendent of Streets J. A. Perry had received bonuses from him on every team sold by him to the city, the chairman called on Mr. Mills and asked for a confirmation of the report. Mr. Mills stated in reply to the inquiry, substantially, that he had paid Mr. Perry $10 in cash on a mule that he sold to the city for $135, and that on a sale of three mules by him to the city, had paid Mr. Perry $5 in cash and given him a new set of harness valued at $7.50 wholesale, the said $5 cash and set of harness being the price demanded by Mr. Perry for his approval of the mules. Mr. Perry, being confronted with the charge, stated that he had never received any consideration whatever from Mr. Mills on purchases made by the city, but that on one occasion Mr. Mills had voluntarily given him a set of second-hand harness. The chairman, in company with Mr. Perry, subsequently, interviewed Mr. Mills and requested that the statement be made in Perry's presence. Mr. Mills thereupon repeated the charges, which Mr. Perry positively denied

The committee thought the matter of sufficient gravity to demand an investigation and Mr. Perry was accordingly called to trial. It is to be regretted that Mr. Mills was absent from the city, but as the charge against Mr. Perry had been made in the presence of several witnesses at the time of the interview between Mr. Mills and Mr. Perry in company with the chairman as well as to others on different occasions, all such witnesses to the fact of Mr. Mills' charge were summoned to appear and testify before the committee, thus making it competent to act upon the charge upon the basis of such testimony. It was thought advisable to make a searching investigation of Mr. Perry's purchases for account of the city, and the testimony appended thoroughly covers the case. The evidence was given under oath and taken down by a competent stenographer. As a matter of fact, the city never bought a mule or horse from Mr. Mills for $135 between the date of November 10th, 1898, and the present time, which covers the period of Mr. Perry's service as superintendent of streets. Nor has the right to purchase teams ever been delegated to the superintendent of streets, but in the nature of the case, the superintendent has been required to try new teams and report on their soundness. Without exception, every witness who had sold goods to the city through Mr. Perry testified that Mr. Perry had not received nor asked for any consideration on purchases made by him, either directly or indirectly.

From the evidence developed, the committee concludes that the charge against Mr. Perry has not been established, and he is accordingly exonerated.

J. A. Taylor,
John H. Hanby,
C. W. Worth.

Upon the reading of the report and testimony attached, upon motion of Alderman Littleton, the same was received and adopted; Messrs. Taylor, Worth, West, Littleton and Hanby voting aye, and Messrs. Woolard, Spencer and Parker voting nay—presumably upon the grounds, as stated by Mr. Parker, that adoption should be postponed until Mr. Mills could be present to offer his testimony. This argument was met by Alderman Taylor, who explained that Mr. Mills would not return to the city before Thursday, which would be too late for further investigation before expiration of the term of the board, and by the further counter argument that witnesses in whose presence Mr. Mills had made the specific charges had been examined.

Resolutions of respect upon the death of Mr. James Walker, prepared by a committee consisting of Mayor Waddell and Aldermen Taylor and Springer, were read and unanimously adopted.

City Attorney Meares reported having completed a codification of all the laws of the city since the compilation of the same in 1897. The re-codification was adopted and 500 copies ordered printed. Mr. Meares stated that a few minor changes had been made in the amount of fines so as to bring certain cases in the jurisdiction of the mayor, eliminating the necessity of sending unimportant matters to the Criminal Court.

Alderman Spencer thought that more consideration should be given to the compilation and refused to vote aye or naye upon the adoption.

A bill of $197.77 for extra expense in painting and repairing the City Hall, Opera House and Market house by Contractor Applegate was allowed. It was shown that the contractor lost heavily upon the job, amounting to probably at much as 48 per cent. of the material used.

A charge against Police Sergeant N. J. Williams of using language disrespectful to the Mayor of the city, preferred by Policeman C. W. Woolard, was reported by the Police Committee, consisting of Messrs. Taylor, Hanby and Worth, who investigated the charges. The committee found the accused not guilty of the charge, but evidently deserving of a reprimand, which was embodied in the report

In the absence of a motion to reject or adopt the report, it was received by the clerk for record on the minutes.

As it was the final meeting of the present Board, a few appropriate remarks were made by Alderman Taylor, and Mayor Waddell closed with a feeling address expressing his sincere regret at parting with the members and complimenting them for their unswerving devotion to the city's interest in the past. He expressed a hope that future boards would leave behind them a record as unblemished as theirs.

The Board was then adjourned *sine die*.

THE RALEIGH CRACKSMEN.

Inspector Connolly is Sure They Are Identical With Red Springs' Burglars.

Postoffice Inspector Jere Connolly, of Washington, D. C., was here yesterday from a trip of investigation into the postoffice safe robbery at Red Springs on March 16th. Mr Connolly says that he is of the opinion, in fact he is almost sure, that the burglars are the same as entered the office of the Southern Express Company at Raleigh, particulars of which were printed in the Star yesterday.

This conclusion he draws from the mode of operation in both cases and from his knowledge of professionals or "crooks," working in this territory. While Mr. Connolly does not pretend to say who the cracksmen really are, he is very sure they belonged to a band of "yeggmen," or apprentices of professionals, who denude themselves of all possible suspicion by carrying no baggage or tools, depending upon the local blacksmith shops for these necessities to their profession. He says they are travelling through the country as ordinary "hobos" because they prefer to lead that mode of life. He is quite sure they will be heard from again and advises the utmost caution on the part of the people in this section of the State.

Mr. Connolly further says that he is of the opinion that these men are apprentices of two professionals who were killed by an explosion of their own dynamite near Washington a month or six weeks ago. They will appear in communities he says, as the most innocent seeming tramps while they will not hesitate to perform upon the slightest provocation a very neat job at safe-cracking.

FUNERAL OF MRS. STONE.

Impressive Services Yesterday Afternoon at St. James'—Interment Oakdale.

At St. James' Episcopal church yesterday afternoon, at 4:30 o'clock, an impressive funeral service was held over the remains of the lamented Mrs. Julia Worth Stone, whose sad death was noted in yesterday's Star The rector, Rev. F. H. T. Horsefield, officiated and was assisted by Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church.

The church was filled with friends and relatives of the deceased, the sorrowing husband and bereaved family. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery and the floral tributes were many.

The following were pall bearers for the sad occasion: Honorary, Capt. W. R Kenan, Capt. W. A Sanders, Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy, Dr. F. H. Russell, Messrs. C. H. Robinson, W. J. Croswell. Jr., C. W. Worth, J. H Chadbourn, Jr., H. C. McQueen, M. J. Corbett, DuBruts Cutlar and J. W. Norwood; active, Dr. George C. Worth, Messrs. W. A. Caldwell, L. B. Rogers, William J. Bellamy, Henry B. Peschau, W. G. Whitehead, Fred Dick and Clayton Giles.

POSTOFFICE CASE AT LAURINBURG.

Trial of the Alleged Swindler, Allen, Took Place on Monday.

The continued hearing in the case of H. T. Allen, the alleged swindler of Laurinburg, reference to the method of operation of whom was recently made in these columns, was held at Laurinburg from 11 A. M. to 4 P. M. on Monday before U. S. Commissioner W. H. Cox. Allen was held in a bond of $500 for his appearance at the U. S. Court at Wilmington on April 29th, which it was expected that he would give and be released from jail at Lumberton, where he has been confined since the first hearing.

District Attorney Claude Bernard was present to prosecute the case and the defendant was represented by Walter H. Neal and Jno. H. Cook, Esqs. Besides Postoffice Inspector Jere Connolly and Postmaster W. H. Cooper, only two other witnesses were heard. They were J. M. Hand, of Kinsey, Ala., and Ira S. Clearey, of Columbus, Ga., alleged dupes of Allen.

Mr. Connolly arrived in the city yesterday from Laurinburg.

Baptist Minister to Wed.

Rev. J. H. Hildreth, a well known Baptist minister of the city, will leave this morning for Fayetteville, in which city he will be married this afternoon at 1 o'clock to Miss Mary Marsh, of Fayetteville. The ceremony will be performed at the home of the bride by Rev. S. J. Porter and Mr. and Mrs. Hildreth will arrive in Wilmington this evening and will reside at No. 19 South Ninth street.

New Spring millinery at Mrs. A. E Canady & Co.'s No jobs, but all of the latest styles direct from the factory. Come and see us at 121 South Front street. †

IMPEACHMENT TRIAL

Argument Will Be Concluded To-day and the Senate Will Decide.

ACQUITTAL IS ANTICIPATED.

The Text Book Commission and its Work. North Carolina Circuit of Fairs—The Peabody Fund—Slot Machines—A. & M. College.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

Raleigh, N. C., March 27.—The text book sub commission, appointed by Governor Aycock Monday, in accordance with the provisions of the Aycock text book act, has organized and received from the text book commission (State Board of Education) copies of text books offered by publishers in connection with their bids for the contract to supply books for the public schools of the State, and will render their reports as to the merits of the subject matter and workmanship of the books April 23d. They have adopted a resolution to the effect that every member of the sub commission declines to be interviewed regarding the merits of any book by any representatives of any book company or their friends, and all communications on the subject of books must be sent through the Governor. The sub commission give as their reason for this, that they are determined to examine fairly all books submitted and report without bias the merits of each.

Rev R A. Torry, D. D., the great preacher and Bible teacher from Chicago is spending a few days here conducting special meetings at Tabernacle Baptist Church. He is the pastor of the great Moody church and president of the Moody Bible Institute at Caicago. Very large crowds are attending every service.

Circuit of Fairs.

The North Carolina Circuit of Fairs has been organized for the purpose of assuring to the various Fairs next Fall chaste, refined and unobjectionable attractions, secure the finest stock for exhibits and the race tracks, protect the fairs against fakirs, and for other purposes. The members of the association and dates for the fairs are as follows:

Greensboro, Oct. 7th to 11th; Raleigh, Oct. 21st to 26th; Winston, Oct. 28th to Nov. 1st; Fayetteville, Nov. 4th to 7th.

North Carolina gets $4,200 from the Peabody Educational fund this year, distributed as follows: Greensboro, $2,000; Winston, $700; Elizabeth City, $400; Fayetteville, $150; Franklinton, $250; Monroe, $200; Mt. Airy, $100; Kinston, $100; Washington, $100; Waynesville, $100.

Prohibited Slot Machines.

In consequence of the feature of the new Revenue act which prohibits slot machines in the State, it will be necessary for the State Auditor to refund to several bar room keepers who during last November and December took out license to operate one or more of these machines for a year. The State tax from New Hanover on slot machines was $398.37, about the tax on four machines. About two thirds of this amount will have to be returned. The county commissioners will have to refund a similar amount, the tax on each machine having been $100 for the State and $100 for the county. It is a remarkable fact that tax was collected on only nineteen slot machines in the entire State and seven of these were in Wake and four in New Hanover. No tax was paid on a single slot machine in Charlotte, Winston, Greensboro or Ashville.

Mr. D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, is here directing the preparation of the plans for the new texulle buildings at the A. and M. College, for the erection of which $20,000 was appropriated by the last General Assembly.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

The Impeachment Trial.

Interest in the impeachment trial of Chief Justice Furches and Associate Justice Douglas is growing. The lobbies and galleries were crowded and hundreds were turned away today. Prominent citizens are here from all parts of the State to witness the closing scenes of the great trial.

Hon. Cyrus B. Watson is now closing argument for the defence. He spoke two hours this afternoon and will close to morrow. The Senate will proceed immediately to roll call and ballot on the question of impeachment. Opponents of impeachment, other than counsel for the defence, have not been at all confident of acquital of the judges until to-day, but great confidence is manifested to-night; many who favor impeachment are ready to concede that the Senate will vote to acquit. This change is largely due to the masterful argument of Hon. F. I Osborne for the defence, in that it has elicited expressions from various Senators by which their vote can be easily anticipated. It is claimed by some conservative men that there will be not less than twenty-four votes for acquittal; only sixteen will prevent impeachment.

Hon. C. B. Watson's speech advocating impeachment is a strong effort and is being listened to with close attention.

It is expected that the whole afternoon to-morrow will be consumed in taking a ballot, as almost every Senator will claim the right to explain his vote.

Wake Criminal Court.

The grand jury of Wake Criminal Court rendered a true bill against Major W. H. Martin, late institutional clerk of the State treasury, for embezzlement of $3,800 of the State's prison fund. No date is set for the trial. State Treasurer R. B. Lacy, ex-State Treasurer Worth and Jos. G. Brown, president of the Citizens' Bank, were the witnesses examined.

Why pay double prices at other places when you can get all new millinery at half the price at Mrs. A. E. Canaday & Co.'s

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Capt. W. E. Kyle, of Fayetteville, arrived in the city yesterday.

— Miss Nessie Wescott arrived home yesterday evening from Richmond.

— Mrs. T. F. Darden, of New York, arrived last night on a visit to relatives.

— Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Giles and Miss Lucile Murchison left last night for New York.

— Mr. D. J. Fergus, of Myrtle Grove, was up to the city yesterday on a business trip.

— Dr. T. B. Perry, of the U. S. Marine Service, returned last night from Fortress Monroe.

— Mr. W. L. Cates, travelling salesman for Messrs. Zachary & Zachary, arrived in the city yesterday.

— Mrs. Bruce Williams and daughter, Miss Maggie Williams, of Burgaw, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. S. A. Matthews went up to Cronly yesterday afternoon where he has a position at the fine fibre plant there.

— Mrs. J. H. Davis and child, of Georgetown, S. C., are the guests of Mrs. Davis' father, Mr. J. W. Zimmerman.

— Mr. and Mrs Harry Griswold, of New York, who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones, at "Airlie," left last night for home.

— Mr. James Swann, of New York, who is pleasantly remembered here as having been the guest of Col. K. M. Murchison earlier in the season, arrived yesterday from Atlanta and will spend another while at the Orton plantation.

— Mr. M. J. Bucksbaum is here to take charge of the classes of the International Correspondence Schools, of Scranton, Pa. Mr. H. E. Bonitz was forced to retire from active participation in the work on account of his professional business.

CARD FROM DR. STOKES.

He Explains His Connection With the Burial of the Corpse in Federal Point Township.

The Star has received, with request to publish, the following card from Coroner Stokes relative to his connection with the case of the negro, who was found dead down the river a week ago last Saturday and whose body, according to advices, was not buried until over a week later, reference to which was made in the Star Sunday:

Editor Star:—In regard to the "Loose Screw," the coroner has to say that his duties relate exclusively to the examination of dead bodies found, said examination being made with reference to probable or possible crime When the coroner has thoroughly investigated the body and has written his certificate of death, he has nothing further to do with the corpse. If there are not friends or relatives to claim the body, it becomes a county charge; and it at once becomes the duty of other county officials connected with the pauper department, to attend to the burial.

In the case of the remains of the negro found down the river (not in the sound) the coroner closed the case on Sunday, wrote his death certificate and left it in the office of the County Superintendent of Health, with a message for him to call the coroner over the 'phone. The object of this 'phone message was to advise as to certain parties who were ready and willing to attend to the interment of the remains. Wednesday came and I, the coroner, not having received any acknowledgment of the receipt of death certificate took it upon myself to call on the county physician, Dr. McMillan, to ascertain whether he had received said certificate. I did not go to him for "advice" at all, not needing that article, but simply to be sure he had received *advices*. At his request, I visited the county undertaker, Capt. Preston Cumming, and handed the case over to him.

On his asking me to do so, I 'phoned parties to bury the body and they would be allowed what the county undertaker receives for such burials. This much was a work of free gratis on my part, as, according to law, I had nothing to do with the affair after I was through with the body. On the face of the thing, is it reasonable to suppose that the "county" would be willing to pay a coroner five dollars a day to attend to the burial of a pauper when such work has been amply provided for already.

W. F. Stokes.

THE CITY ELECTION TO-DAY.

Contest Will Be Exceedingly Tame in Absence of an Opposing Ticket.

According to the law the municipal election will take place to day, but few people will manifest the slightest interest in the fact. There is no opposition ticket to that named by the Democrats in the primaries on Monday and Thursday of last week and few people will take the trouble to vote.

Registration for the election closed last night and was very light—even lighter than for the municipal election two years ago. The polls will open this morning at the same places as upon the occasion of the primaries. Only Aldermen will be voted for, as the Executive Committee is a party creation and the Mayor will be elected by the Aldermen in conformity to the wishes of the people expressed at the primary.

According to the law all the saloons closed at 7 o'clock last evening and will remain closed until 7 A. M. tomorrow.

Historical Society.

The Historical Society of the Colonial Dames will meet to night at 8 o'clock in room No. 9 in the Masonic Temple. Interesting papers and several musical selections will constitute the programme. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance of dames.

A Magnificent Stock of Goods

in Every Department.

Our Store is just chocked full of new goods, in every department, but owing to our limited space it is just impossible for us to give you the least conception of the many pretty things we have on hand. You are cordially invited to visit our Store and look for yourself. We are showing the very latest novelties in

Worsteds, Dress Goods, Grenadines, Silks

AND WASH FABRICS

Now is the time to make your purchases while the goods are new and fresh. Be sure to examine our elegant stock of Table Linens, Napkins and Towels. There are some beautiful sets of Table Damask with Napkins to match, in the most popular lengths, at prices equally as cheap as the goods by the yard.

Sole Agent for Butterick's Patterns.

A. D. Brown.

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Have You a Bank Account?

If not start one at once with the People's Savings Bank, it will show good results

OUR REGULAR INTEREST QUARTER begins on April 1st. Money deposited now will draw 4 per cent. from that date, payable every three Months.

DON'T FORGET that we have a few of the Home Savings Banks left; call and get one, we lend them to you.

The People's Savings Bank,

Opposite the Postoffice.

H. C. McQUEEN, President. JNO. S. ARMSTRONG, Vice President.
mar 28 tf F. W. DICK, Cashier.

THE PETERS' COMEDY COMPANY

Afforded All the Fun Wanted by a Large Audience Last Night.

The Peters Comedy Company last night added to its already enviable reputation with Wilmington theatregoers as being the best organization of fun-makers that have been seen here in several years. The bill was "The King of Liars," and it afforded many laughable situations that were received with most enthusiastic applause by the audience.

The bill for to night will be "A Booming Town" and will be one of the best in the company's repertoire. Saturday a matinee will be given, at which the prices will be ten and twenty cents.

— The first shipments of field radish from this section are reported by Mr. G. W. Witton and Dr. Geo. F. Lucas, of Currie, N. C.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M.

Companions.—There will be a Special Convocation this (Thursday) evening, to confer the Past Master's Degree.
By order of the High Priest.
mar 28 1t W. A. MARTIN, Secretary

Opera House

TO-NIGHT

PETERS COMEDY COMPANY.

The funniest of all Comedies.

"A BOOMING TOWN."

Prices 10, 20 and 30 cents.

ONLY MATINEE SATURDAY.
mar 28 1t

Office of the Secretary,

ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY,

Wilmington, N. C., March 25th, 1901.

The Board of Directors have declared three and one-half per cent. interest on the certificates of indebtedness of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad Company, for the six months ending March 31st, 1901, to all holders of record of this date. Interest due and payable on and after April 1st, 1901.

The transfer books will stand closed from March 26th to April 1st, 1901, inclusive

JAMES F. POST, Treasurer.
mar 26 7t A. C. L. R. R. Co.

Steel Nails.

$1,091.06 in Nails
$210.50 in Shot.
$56.11 in W. P. Caps.
$110.40 in Tomatoes.
$41.60 in Salmon.
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$234.05 in Celluloid Starch.
$56.03 in Ivory Starch.
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The Morning Star

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 28.

FIVE OR TEN CENT COTTON?

Whether the next cotton crop will bring a low price or a high price, a price that will pay the planter or put him on the verge of if not absolutely into bankruptcy will depend upon the planter himself. Of course he may plant a large acreage and have a small crop, or a small acreage and have a comparatively large crop, for these things depend largely upon the seasons, but as far as the man has any agency in controlling results the price of the next crop will depend upon the planter. If he plants judiciously with a view to keeping the gathered crop within the world's demand for consumption he can depend upon a fair price, but if the crop be larger than the world's consumption needs then the buyer will make his own price and the planter will have to take it or leave his cotton on the plantation. There isn't a planter in the South who does not know this, but there isn't one in ten of them who lays his plans accordingly.

This is all the more remarkable in view of the past experience our cotton-planters have had and the penalties they have paid for indiscreet planting. If with the experience they have had and the good advice that has been offered by persons competent to advise, they persist in an acreage large enough to run down prices, they will have themselves and themselves only to blame for it.

We have heretofore published communications on this subject found in the columns of other papers urging planters to keep the cotton acreage down this year, and thus keep prices up, for which they gave reasons the force of which could be understood by every one, whether interested in cotton or not. Here is another which appeared in the Atlanta *Journal* from a former citizen of the South, now interested in cotton manufacturing in the North. It is not lengthy but is full of sense and appeals to every Southern farmer who plants cotton for profit, and not simply for exercise or fun. The letter was addressed to the Commissioner of Agriculture for the State of Georgia, and is as follows:

NEW YORK, March 19, 1901.

Hon. O. B. Stevens, Commissioner of Agriculture, Atlanta, Ga.

DEAR SIR—I have observed that whatever has come from you in regard to cotton has carried considerable weight, and I want to say that unless something is done the Southern farmer will be confronted with five cent cotton again next Fall. The idea prevailing that it will take years for the staple to go back to that price is all wrong. Cotton in January sold at 12.75 and to-day next January sold at 7.40, a decline of about 4½ cents per pound in six weeks. This condition has been brought about by the mills absolutely refusing to pay the price, and a combined effort on the part of the mills, dry goods people, cotton factors and speculators. Should the acreage be as large as last year, mills all over the world will buy from hand to mouth until the new crop is made, should conditions be favorable. As every well posted person knows we could have easily made 12½ millions and a half last year with favorable seasons. Should the acreage be increased to any considerable extent and conditions remain good for the growing crop with present trade conditions six cents will look high for cotton next November. The only hope that the farmer has is to cut his crop, and not plant all cotton, but corn and other things. Should farmers cut their crop one-fourth this year, they would get a big price for cotton now held by them. Also, for the next crop, and in the event the next crop is increased they will sell what they now have cheaper than they should, and the next at the most ruinous price, considering the cost of labor, provisions, etc., we have ever seen. Everybody is against the price of cotton except the Southern farmer. Considering 7 to 8 cents a big price, the only hope the South has now is to curtail acreage in cotton and raise plenty of everything she uses at home.

Please take the matter up and ask every secretary of agriculture in the South to help you to impress this important fact of planting less cotton. After the crop is once in the ground the South is helpless with good seasons. Providence will not interfere ever year as it did last.

Yours very truly,
L. E. DARDEN.

Some time ago the Commissioners of Agriculture in the cotton-growing States held a meeting to discuss the question of acreage, and they unanimously issued an address to the farmers of the cotton States urging them to keep the acreage down, pointing to the fact that a large crop would inevitably bring prices down. Since then they as individuals have issued appeals to the planters of their own States emphasizing the importance of keeping the crop within the desired limit. They have been followed in their appeals by numerous writers familiar with the cotton movement and either interested in that or in the prosperity of the South, which is in a great measure dependent upon the prosperity of the cotton planter.

Mr. Stevens in his official capacity and as a planter has done as much as any man in the South to check the folly of overproduction of cotton, and to stimulate diversified farming, in which he has been somewhat successful at least as far as diversified farming goes.

The American mills, or a considerable number of them North and South, some time ago reduced the hours of work to reduce the stock of goods on hand and prevent piling up too much of a surplus. Later, the English mills followed their example. This was not on account of the higher price of cotton, but on account of the decreased demand for goods in the Eastern markets, where the exporters made large sales. These markets are to some extent closed now, and will probably continue so for some time to come, and indefinitely with war threatened between Japan and Russia. China and India will then buy less cotton goods than they are buying now, and Japan, which bought most of her raw cotton from this country, will make fewer goods and buy less cotton, for China was the market for the goods she exported. Under these conditions there is no probability of an improvement in the markets on the other side of the Pacific, and no reason to believe that there will be a demand for as much cotton as was used last year.

With less demand than there was last year would it be reasonable to expect higher prices than this crop brought, and with an increased supply coincident with decreased demand for goods wouldn't it be even more reasonable to expect reduced prices for the raw material? If there be a surplus of cotton and the manufacturers can get it as fast as they want it, and the farmers are compelled to sell it (as the manufacturers know they will be) they will buy to suit themselves and will make their own prices, as all buyers do when they have the game in their own hands. With a crop fairly within the demands of the mills, the millers will be anxious to buy, will offer fair prices early and keep them up until they have all the cotton they need, and if there is a crop within the demand this will insure good prices for all of it from the beginning to the close of the season and the planter will have some money in his pocket when the last of his crop is sold. The farmer who in addition to cotton has raised his own supplies on the farm will have a good deal in his pocket.

This is so apparent to any one who gives thought to it that it is remarkable that planters would need any urging to keep the cotton acreage down.

ANOTHER WASTE PRODUCT.

For half a century or more cotton seed was a waste product. Now it is worth over $50,000,000 a year and will before many years be worth double that. Cotton stalks, corn stalks and pine straw are now waste products, very little use being made of them, but the time will come when they will be worth millions of dollars. There is another waste product—sawdust, to some of the possibilities of which the Savannah *News* calls attention in the following:

"Wherever there is a saw-mill in Georgia—and there are thousands of them—a feature of the landscape is an immense sawdust pile. In most cases the pile will be seen to be burning, with more or less reluctance. The flames seem loth to devour the residue that represents thousands and thousands of feet of timber, so the pile smoulders and smokes, except when stirred and coaxed by the small boy who receives a few cents a day for keeping the fire going. Many sawmills burn as much sawdust as they can in their furnaces, but even then they cannot get rid of it all and big piles rapidly accumulate. What to do with the stuff is often a bothersome question to mill men.

"But, should sawdust be regarded as a waste product, and treated accordingly? In Montreal, Canada, a chemist in the employ of a mill man has been experimenting with sawdust with a view to utilizing it, and he has found it very rich in possibilities. He has constructed an apparatus for the treatment of sawdust, and with it he has received returns of a number of valuable products. By distillation, or rather the heating of the sawdust in a retort, he has obtained a good illuminating gas and other things of worth. From 1,000 pounds of sawdust he has got, besides the gas, 160 pounds of char, 180 pounds of acids and 162 pounds of tar, besides water. This was from white pine and spruce sawdust. The sawdust of the yellow pine would give a much larger percentage of tar and its derivatives. In Germany there are several plants for utilizing sawdust, one of the chief products of these plants being oxalic acid. In Scotland there are similar plants, which not only extract acids from the sawdust, but make from it also linoleum, floor cloths, wall paper and coarse wrapping paper. A very fair quality of heavy paper is made from even the coarse fibered woods.

"Once on a time, as will be remembered, the so called waste products of gas plants were turned off into running streams or otherwise disposed of in the most handy manner. Now they are saved and manufactured into dyes and various chemicals. Many of the drugs most used these days for fevers and headaches are derivatives of coal tar. It may be that the saw mill men are throwing away money, in a matter of their sawdust piles, just as the gas makers used to throw away money in turning into the rivers and creeks their residue from gas making."

We reproduce this because it is as applicable to Eastern North Carolina as it is to Georgia, for all through the pine belt of this State, wherever there are saw mills (and there are a great many), the trouble has been to get rid of the accumulating piles of sawdust. It is remarkable that with the inventive genius and resourcefulness of our people this waste has not been turned to profitable account.

A Monster Devil Fish

Destroying its victim is a type of constipation. The power of this murderous malady is felt on organs and nerves, and muscles and brain. There is no health till it is overcome. But Dr. King's New Life Pills are a safe and certain cure. The best in the world for Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels. Only 25 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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HOW TO GAIN FLESH

Persons have been known to gain a pound a day by taking an ounce of Scott's emulsion. It is strange, but it often happens.

Somehow the ounce produces the pound; it seems to start the digestive machinery going properly, so that the patient is able to digest and absorb his ordinary food, which he could not do before, and that is the way the gain is made.

A certain amount of flesh is necessary for health; if you have not got it you can get it by taking Scott's Emulsion.

You will find it just as useful in summer as in winter, and if you are thriving upon it don't stop because the weather is warm.

If you have not tried it, send for free sample. Its agreeable taste will surprise you.
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THORNY CROWNS

There isn't any fun in playing monarch these days, for monarchs are apt to have bombs, old junk and several other things shied at them when they appear in public, and they are not right sure when they turn in at night whether they may not be turned out before morning by some devilish contrivance laid around somewhere in the immediate vicinity. And then they are not right sure, either, that when they munch a sandwich they are not masticating a charge of poison, or when they are getting outside of a glass of beer they are not absorbing a lot of knock-out drops. We expect there are a good many of them who, like the Emperor of Austria-Hungary, envy in their hearts the plain every day toiler, who eats such plain food as he can get with relish and in peace, and lies down at night without fear of bomb throwers or tax collectors.

If the accounts we receive be true there, probably, isn't in Europe a more thoroughly miserable man than the Czar of Russia, who with the numerous reported plots to assassinate him, has become afraid of his own shadow, suspicious of every one around him, not knowing whom to trust, and yet he is one of the best of the crowned-head gang. He is to-day paying the penalty not of any oppression of which he has been the originator, for he is a humane, gently disposed man and ruler but he became the heir of a despotic system that ruled men as serfs, brutalized them and made them savage and revengeful. Result; Russia permeated with secret societies, socialists, anarchists, nihilists, all the sworn enemies of established rule and social order, glorying in havoc, and thirsty for blood. The system that brutalizes the man and makes life miserable, imperials the ruler and makes his life miserable. The day laborer might pity this monarch of millions, under dazzling gems and cowering behind glittering bayonets, and be a loser by swapping places with him.

Several years ago it was reported that some young man in Pennsylvania had discovered the lost art of tempering copper so as to make it as hard as steel. But this young man and his discovery seem to have been lost. Now the report comes from Seattle, Washington, that a Mrs. Renstrom and her two sons have made the discovery and can make copper so hard that a file can't make an impression on it, and that a chisel made of it will cut through the hardest armor plate. The boys were at work projecting and their mother helped them. There is a secret in it and now we shall see if a woman can keep a secret.

A Boston man wearing a sweater who was refused admission to a Boston theatre on account of his sweater, proposes to make the theatre people sweat with a damage suit.

Presiding Elder's Appointments, Wilmington District.

Carver's Creek, Hebron, March 30, 31.
Atlantic, Andrew's Chapel, April 6, 7.
Zion, Summerville, April 13, 14.
Bladen Street, April 14.
Burgaw, Burgaw Creek, April 20, 21.
Southport, April 28, 29.
Clinton, Kendall's, May 4, 5.
Scott's Hill, Bethany, May 11, 12.
Fifth Street, May 12.
Magnolia, Magnolia, May 18, 19.
Elizabeth, Purdie's, May 25, 26.
Bladen, Deem's Capel, May 26, 27.
Kenansville, Warsaw, June 1, 2.
Grace, June 2, 3.
Onslow, ———, June 7.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Jacksonville, June 8, 9.
Waccamaw, Zion, June 15, 16.
Whiteville, Cerro Gordo, June 17.
Market Street, June 23, 24.
R. B. JOHN.

A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham, of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvellous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

THE PEANUT AS FOOD.

A distinguished Southern Bishop some time ago discovered that after eating a reasonable quantity of peanuts, nicely parched, he could lie down and sleep like a top, and he therefore became enthusiastic over the peanut as a soporific and never hesitated to give it his unqualified endorsement. But now we have a testimonial as to the nutritious food properties of the peanut, which is even more interesting than the good Bishop's discovery of its soporific excellence.

A good citizen of the town of Auburn, N. Y. who proposed to keep Lent in a thoroughly self-denying way, resolved to limit his diet to one meal a day, which meal was to consist of peanuts and milk. He stuck to his plain bill of fare and here is the result as told to a reporter of the New York *World*, who asked him about it:

"I never felt better in my life. I believe I could get along on peanuts and milk for the rest of my life. Peanuts are very nutritious. They contain more nourishment than an equal amount of the best beefsteak. When I began my Lenten diet I thought I was limiting myself to the smallest amount of food possible for the maintenance of life, but instead of that I found that after the first eighteen days I had taken on five pounds in weight. I have gained a little every day since. I eat my pint of peanuts and drink my glass of milk at noon every day and no other food passes my lips for twenty four hours. I have a good appetite when the noon hour arrives, but am not ravenously hungry. After I eat my allowance I have the same satisfied sense that a man has after eating a good dinner. I buy the peanuts—a pint including shells—hot from the roaster of one of the street venders. My food for the week costs 42 cents, 35 cents for the peanuts and seven cents for the milk. That costs only a cent for a glass. A man can't live much cheaper and get fat on it, can he?"

This opens up the way to a wide range of suggestions and remarks, but without yielding to the temptation, who knows what a mighty boost this may give the peanut, and how far it may go towards solving the cook question, cheap living, etc.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— And now General Freddie Funston has been sent to capture Aguinaldo. A few United States deputy marshals, such as round up moonshiners here in Georgia, would have finished that job long ago.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— Spanish war claims to the amount of $32,000,000 have already been filed, and the total is expected to reach $60,000,000. Meanwhile, think of the lengthing pension list, particularly with reference to the Philippine probabilities. Doesnt it jar you?—*Richmond Dispatch, Dem.*

—— "As the result of the decreased price of cotton many planters" in Orangeburg "have become discouraged and will reduce the area in cotton from what they originally intended. The indications are that the more they are "discouraged" now the gayer they will be next fall.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

—— Lord Kitchener, cables to England that the Boer commanders evince a strong dislike for Sir Alfred Milner. The first thing we know, Kitchener will be cabling home that the Boers do not admire Mr. Cecil Rhodes. Kitchener gives away valuable news almost as freely as our own Otis used to do.—*Norfolk Landmark, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— An Evident Parisian: Bob—"Do you think he is really a foreign nobleman?" Ethel—"Undoubtedly! Why, he cannot understand a word of my French."—*Judge.*

— Gas Bills: Campaign Manager—"Here's a bill of $200 from one of your speech-makers during the campaign." Candidate—"Very well, put it in the drawer marked 'Gas bills.'"—*Ohio State Journal.*

— She—"I've often wondered what is the secret of beauty." He—"There couldn't possibly be such a thing. Any woman who had beauty wouldn't think of making a secret of it."—*Philadelphia Press*

— Girl With the Blonde Hair—"He wasn't a bad looking fellow, that young man who used to come to see you, but he always seemed to be painfully shy." Girl With the Red Hair—"He was. He was shy about $50,000. Papa looked him up."—*Chicago Tribune*

— Another Hold-up: "Poor Bronson!" "What's the matter with him?" "He was the victim of a hold-up last night, so he tells me." "You don't say so! How did it happen?" "Oh, the baby had eaten something that did not agree with it. He had to hold it up for three hours at a stretch."—*Times Herald.*

— A Distinction: "That enemy of yours says you are owned by a certain corporation." "Again my enemy wrongs me," said the practical politician. "I value my liberty too highly to sacrifice it. I am not owned by the corporation he refers to. I am simply leased to it for a term of years."—*Washington Star.*

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This famous cleanser has proven the emancipation of thousands of other women—why not yours? Let GOLD DUST do more of the work, you do more of the play. For greatest economy buy our large package.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Charlotte *News*: Farmers say the heavy rains of Tuesday night have done great damage to the lands. Everything was in readiness for planting and the heavy rainfall has washed the ground terribly.

— Marion *Democrat*: The McDowell Furniture Company's new factory building on the Poteet tract, west of town, is almost ready for the installing of the machinery. It is a three-story frame building, 60 by 130 feet in dimensions.

— Clarkton *Express*: An unusually large quantity of fertilizer is being sold and delivered by Clarkton merchants this Spring. There seems to be a growing tendency among our farmers to improve their land. They are seeing that it is better to make a good crop on a few acres than a poor one on a larger number.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The R. E. Jones Buggy Co. is working on full time with a full force of help. It is the purpose of the company to turn out one hundred buggies per month. They are not doing much just at this time, but they are making improvements all the while and will soon have to look for new markets to dispose of their output. Up to the present local dealers have disposed of their output.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: For a week past a strange negro calling himself Sergeant Davis has been working the pension swindle on the colored folks of this community. His last victim was Eilen Fleming, from whom he obtained $18 on a promise to secure a pension for her on account of her brother, who was killed at the battle of Petersburg while fighting in the Union army. After exhausting his subjects he disappeared Saturday for parts unknown.

— Greensboro *Record*: The body of Marion S. Ray, white, aged 59, was found under the trestle near Benbow's mill Sunday morning. Coroner Turner went out and investigated and finally had to hold an inquest, when it was developed that Ray had just come in from Spray Saturday afternoon and was on his way to the carpet mill to visit his wife. He was seen in town Saturday afternoon by Officer Jordan and the most reliable facts gathered were that he started home and was on the trestle when the 9 49 north bound train came along and he either jumped or fell. There were no bruises on his body and death was from the fall, about 30 feet.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Reports received at Winston prove the damage done by Monday's storm will aggregate thousands of dollars. The hail knocked holes in the roofs of the Southern Chemical and Oakland Furniture factories. Lightning struck and burned a large barn of C. Hamlin north of Winston. A valuable mule, farming implements and a lot of feed were lost. The Methodist Episcopal church at Clemmonsville and the Methodist Protestant church at Union Ride, in that county, were blown down and wrecked. Both were large wooden structures. Many other buildings were unroofed. —— The committee to investigate the books of Maj. Martin the defaulting clerk to the State Treasury Department, will begin work about April 1st. It is not thought that the amount of the peculations will be more that $3,800, the amount Major Martin admits having taken.

OILS FROM THE WHALE.

They Possess Certain Qualities Which Keep Them In Demand.

"Whale oil," said a dealer in oils, "is to some extent used as a lubricating oil, but not to a very large extent. When used for lubricating purposes, it is more often compounded with mineral oils, which are cheaper. Whale oil is used for tempering steel. It is still used in a limited way by some people as an illuminating oil. Whale oil is used for making whale oil soap, used for killing worms on trees.

"Sperm oil is a fine lubricating oil, used on fine machinery, large and small. The fine sewing machine oil is likely to be sperm oil. It is used for illuminating purposes in safety lamps in warehouses, because of its small liability to explode, sperm standing a higher degree of heat than mineral oils. It is used as a signal oil on shipboard, for lamps and lanterns and for side lights, and so on, and on steamers for a lubricating oil. For all these purposes mineral oils and lubricating compounds have more or less supplanted it because of their greater cheapness, but sperm oil is nevertheless in demand for them. There are some other uses for whale oil and for sperm oil, which are still sold to larger and smaller users by the barrel or the can or gallon.

"The desirable qualities for some uses of these oils, once so commonly used, make a market for the comparatively small and diminishing quantities of them now brought to sale, even though their prices are higher than those of the oils that have so commonly supplanted them.

"There is an oil produced from some part of the head of the whale that is much more costly than either whale oil or sperm oil. It sells in fact for as much as $10 a gallon. This is watch oil, and it may be bought of dealers in watch supplies. It is used for oiling watches and also for oiling the arbors or journals of the wheels of tower clocks. It is not only a fine lubricant, but it withstands cold remarkably well, not freezing except at an extremely low temperature, for which reason it is very desirable for such use in cold and exposed situations."—New York Sun.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, March 27.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 34 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 33½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.15 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.10 per barrel for hard, $2.10 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar steady at $1.20; crude turpentine quiet at $2.00 @$3.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	19
Rosin	454
Tar	354
Crude turpentine	13

Receipts same day last year—10 casks spirits turpentine, 227 bbls rosin, 247 bbls tar, 27 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 7⅞c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5 7 16	cts. ₰ lb
Good ordinary	6 13 16	" "
Low middling	7 7 16	" "
Middling	7⅞	" "
Good middling	8 3 16	" "

Same day last year middling firm at 9½c.

Receipts—133 bales; same day last year, 231.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 75c.

CORN—Firm, 58 to 60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 12 to 13c per pound; shoulders, 8 to 10c; sides, 8 to 10c.

EGGS—Dull at 9c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 20@28c; springs, 10@20c.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 9 to 10c; dressed, 10 to 12c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Money on call firmer at 2½@3 per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm at decline, actual business in bankers' bills at 488½@488¾ for demand, 484½ for sixty days. Posted rates 485½ and 489. Commercial bills 484@484½. Silver certificates 61¾@63. Bar silver 59¼. Mexican dollars 49. Government bonds strong. State bonds weak. Railroad bonds strong. U. S. refunding 2's reg'd, 106; U. S. refund'g 2's, coupon, 106¾; U. S. 3's, reg'd, —; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 111¾; do. coupon, 111¾; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 138¼; do. coupon, 138¾; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 113¾; do. coupon, 114¼; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 111½; do. coupon, 111¾; Southern R'y 5's 116¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio, 92; Chesapeake & Ohio 46¼; Manhattan L 123¾; N. Y. Central 146½; Reading 35¾; do. 1st pref'd 74¼; St. Paul, 149¼; do. pref'd, 184¾; Southern Railway 28¾; pref'd 79¼; American Tobacco, 126½; do. pref'd 144; People's Gas 105¼; Sugar 141⅝; do. pref'd 121; T. C. & Iron 57; U. S. Leather 13¾; do. preferred 75½; Western Union 89½; Consolidated Gas 213; Standard Oil 795@798.

BALTIMORE, March 27.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 15¼@15¾; do. preferred 35¼@35¼. Bonds—4's 80¾@81.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Rosin quiet. Spirits turpentine dull.

CHARLESTON, March 27.—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing. Rosin firm; prices unchanged; sales none.

SAVANNAH March 27.—Spirits turpentine firm at 34½c; receipts 439 casks; sales 535 casks; exports 432 casks. Rosin firm: A, B, C, $1 25; D, $1 30; E, $1 35; F, $1 40; G, $1 45, H, $1 50; I, 1 65; K, $1 80; M, $1 95; N, $1 95; W G, $2 05; W W, $2 30.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—The cotton market showed some irregularity after opening easy at a decline of four to ten points, mainly on the nearer positions. Following the opening call there was a further recession of a point or two, after which the market sharply advanced three to eleven points on the appearance of one prominent house as an active buyer, said to be on investment account. Shorts covered freely on this upward movement, but the room became bearish again on the withdrawal of the special support mentioned. There was more or less investment demand throughout the session, however, probably more of it and of a better class than seen here for some time. Investors showed a preference for October and the remote positions, on the ground that a recession had been too generally accepted as inevitable. Reports from Fall River, indicating that sellers were refusing to make concessions of 2¼c on good qualities of stuff, gave some encouragement; reports on print cloths and yarns were still unfavorable. The very heavy movement checked confident buying of cotton for future delivery. The market was finally easy at four to seven points net decline.

New York, March 27.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 8 1 16c.

Cotton futures market closed easy at quotations: March 7.63, April 7.64, May 7.70, June 7.71, July 7.73, August 7 45, September 7.30, October 7.20, November 7.15, December 7 13, January 7.13.

Spot cotton closed dull and 1 16c lower; middling uplands 8 1 16c; middling gulf 8 5 16c; sales 5,466 bales.

Net receipts 1,285 bales; gross receipts 8 803 bales; stock 152,548 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 22,796 bales; exports to Great Britain 14,132 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 7,325 bales; stock 787,786 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 73,852 bales; exports to Great Britain 58,408 bales; exports to France 12,895 bales, exports to the Continent 57,032 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 6,316 997 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,416,570 bales, exports to France 578,904 bales; exports to the Continent 1,870,698 bales.

March 27.—Galveston, quiet at 8c, net receipts 6,979 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8c, net receipts 582 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8¼c, net receipts 268 bales; Wilmington, steady at 7⅞c, net receipts 132 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 8 5 16c, net receipts — bales, Savannah, steady at 7⅞c, net receipts 3 037 bales; New Orleans, steady at 7 15 16c, net receipts 1,239 bales; Mobile, quiet at 7⅞c, net receipts 42 bales; Memphis, quiet at 8¼c, net receipts 160 bales; Augusta, quiet at 8 3 16c, net receipts 463 bales; Charleston, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 127 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Flour was steady and moderately active for choice brands. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 81½c; options experienced a steady undertone all day in spite of dullness, being influenced by strength of corn, higher English cables, liberal seaboard clearances, export demand, a smaller interior movement and covering. Closed firm at ¼@½c net advance. May closed 80¾c; July closed 80¼c; September closed 80½c. Corn—Spot firm No. 2 49c; options were fairly strong to day on active speculative support West. Local shorts covered nervously, prompted also by firmness abroad, liberal clearances, small receipts, and closed firm at ¼@½c net advance. The sales included: March closed 49c; May closed 48c; July closed 47¾c; September closed 47¼c. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2 30¼c; options firm but quiet. Lard firm; Western steam $8 50; refined lard firm; continent $8 65; South American $9 25; compound 5¼@5¼c. Eggs strong; State and Pennsylvania at mark 13¾@14¼c; Southern 13@13½c. Pork firm; family $16 50@17 00; short clear $15 00@17 00; mess $15 50@16 00. Tallow firm. Butter firm; fresh creamery 16@22c; State dairy fresh 15@21c. Cheese firm; fancy large white 11@11½c; do. small white 12@12½c. Rice steady. Potatoes quiet; Jerseys $1 25@1 50; New York $1 40@1 62½; Long Island $1 50@1 75; Jersey sweets $1 50@2 25. Cabbage quiet; State $14@18 per ton. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 15c. Petroleum steady. Cotton seed oil firmly held and in fair demand for local account, without being quotably higher. Closing quotations were: Prime crude, in barrels, 30½c; prime summer yellow 34c; off summer yellow 33c; prime white 37@37½c; prime winter yellow 38c; prime meal $24 00@25 00. Coffee—Spot Rio dull; No. 7 invoice 6¾@7c, nominal; mild quiet; Cordova 8@12¾. Sugar—raw firm; fair refining 3 17 32c; centrifugal, 96 test 4 1-32c; molasses sugar 3 9 32@3 5 16c. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 4¾@5c; other domestic 5c.

CHICAGO, March 27.—A firmer undertone in which routine news played its part was observable in the grain market to day. Corn, which was the most active, closed ¼@½c higher for May, while wheat closed ½c and oats a shade improved. Provisions were dull and irregular, closing 2½c higher to a shade lower.

CHICAGO, March 27—Cash quotations: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 3 spring 66@75c; No. 2 red 75@76½c. Corn—No. 2 41¾@41¾c; No. 2 yellow 41¾c. Oats—No. 2 26c; No. 2 white 28½c; No 3 white 27½@28½c. Pork, per barrel, $15 60@15 65. Lard, per 100 lbs, $8 12½@8 15. Short rib sides, loose, $7 90@8 10. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $6 62½@6 87½. Short clear sides boxed $8 15@8 30. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 April 74¾, 75¼, 74¾, 75½c; May 75⅝@75¾, 76, 75¼@75¼, 75⅞@76c. Corn—No. 2 May 42¼@42¼, 43⅛@43⅜, 43¼, 43½; July 42½@42¾, 43¾, 42¾, 42¾@43¼. Oats—No. 2 May 25, 25@25¼, 24¾, 25@25⅛c; July 24¾, 24¾, 24¾@24¾, 24¾c. Pork per bbl—May $15 75, 15 75, 15 57½, 15 72½; July $15 00, 15 15, 15 00, 15 15. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $8 05, 8 07½, 8 02½, 8 07½; July $8 00, 8 00, 7 97½, 8 05; September $8 02½, 8 02¾, 8 00, 8 02½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $8 00, 8 00, 7 95 8 00; July $7 87½, 7 87½, 7 82½, 7 87½; September $7 85, 7 85, 7 80, 7 85.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, March 27, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot, moderate business; prices 1-16d higher; American middling fair 5¼d; good middling 4 27 32d; middling 4 21 32d; low middling 4 15 32d; good ordinary 4 7 32d; ordinary 3 31 32d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 7,200 bales American. Receipts 4,000 bales, no American.

Futures opened quiet and closed quiet; American middling (l. m. c.) March 4 31 64@4 32 64d value; March and April 4 31 64d buyer; April and May 4 30 64@4 31 64d seller; May and June 4 30 64@4 31 64d seller; June and July 4 30-64d seller; July and August 4 29 64@4 30 64d seller; August and September 4 32-64d seller; September and October 4 32-64d; October (g. o. c.) 4 6 64d seller; October and November 4 2 64d seller; November and December 4d value.

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FOREIGN.

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BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—6 casks spirits turpentine, 40 barrels rosin.

W. C. & A. Railroad—73 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 124 barrels rosin, 51 barrels tar, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—1 bale cotton. 188 barrels rosin, 10 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—8 bales cotton.

C. C. Railroad—3 casks spirits turpentine, 26 barrels tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—51 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 2 barrels rosin, 15 barrels tar.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—100 barrels rosin, 252 barrels tar.

Schooner Leah—9 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—Cotton, 133 bales; spirits turpentine, 19 casks; rosin, 454 barrels; tar, 354 barrels; crude turpentine, 1 barrel.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., March 26, 1901.

STEAMSHIPS.

Briardale, (Br) 1,785 tons, Fothergill Alexander Sprunt & Son.

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City of Baltimore, 298 tons, Tawes, George Harriss, Son & Co.

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Massachusetts, 425 tons, Jones, George Harriss, Son & Co.

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BARQUES.

Saari, (Rus) 404 tons, Nyholm, Heide & Co.

Hedvig, (Swd) 465 tons, Persson, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

BRIGS.

Audhild, (Nor) 449 tons, Arensen, Heide & Co.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, George Harriss, Son & Co.

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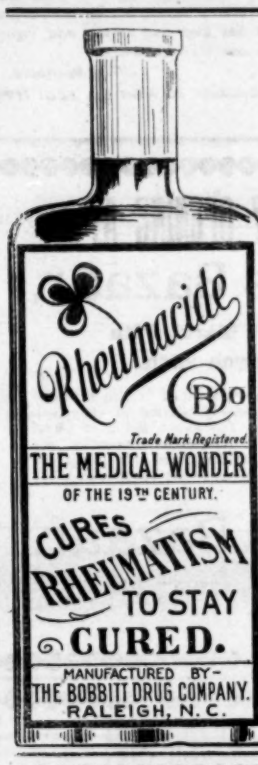

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"But," I said, after he had finished his tale of woe, "the puzzle to me is why you have proposed to the girl at all."

"I have not proposed. It happened at the ball last night. I was late, and I was idly leaning against the wall, looking among the dancers for—for—well, you know, Tom, for whom I was looking. I had been standing in that attitude quite ten minutes, when I suddenly caught sight of a girl at the far end of the room. She had her back to me and was wearing a shimmering kind of white dress, with—with—roses and things embroidered on it; but anyhow there was not another frock in the room like it, and I directly I caught sight of it I hurried after the wearer and came up to her just as she was entering the conservatory.

"Well, the conservatory was rather dark, and I was rather excited, having been determined all the week that I would screw up my courage and 'speak' on the ball night. So, before I knew where I was, I said something—I don't know what, but something sweet—and then all in a minute she—she—well, the upshot of it was she accepted me, and I found out when it was too late that I had proposed to the wrong one."

"Cannot you see a way out of it, for if you can't I can," I added sagely.

"But how?" he interrupted eagerly.

"Easily enough," I said, with a philosophic air. "Just send a note to Miss Hedley, asking her to meet you, and then tell her in a manly, straightforward fashion that—that—ahem, you have made a mistake, that your young affections have been bestowed elsewhere, that you respect, admire and esteem her, but your heart it is another's, etc."

"Would you tell a girl a thing like that, Tom?" he asked, looking steadily at me.

"I'm sure I would," I answered confidently. "I think it is more dishonorable to marry a woman when you don't love her than it would be to tell her fairly that you cannot marry her because you don't love her."

"Maggie," I asked my sister the following day, "whatever possessed you to lend your new ball dress to Miss Hedley? I mean that odd looking, whity thing that you told Nigel Bruce you were going to wear."

Maggie colored hotly, and I knew my shot had gone home.

"Oh, Tom," she replied, ignoring the latter part of my remark, "I made Flossie wear it. She said 'No' ever so many times, but I insisted. So in the end she yielded. Poor Flossie!" my sister continued. "She has not many pleasures and very few pretty dresses, and you know what a horrid time of it she has with her auntie, and so I was determined she should go to the ball and be well dressed too. Mother was quite willing. But what makes you ask?" she added.

"Oh, nothing much," I replied carelessly, for I was determined not to tell her of Bruce's engagement until—well, until I was assured it was an engagement.

That same evening I had a line from Bruce:

"Be at my chambers at 8:30 tonight."

So I went and found him in the depth of despair. I must have looked one huge note of interrogation, for he began at once:

"It is of no use, old chap! She—she says I have discovered her secret, and she would die of shame if I deserted her now. Moreover, she wrote last night to her father—and— Can't you see, Tom, I am bound hand and foot and cannot withdraw?"

"And what happened then?" I interrupted.

Bruce looked confused. "Then? Oh, she cried, and"—

"I know all about the rest," I exclaimed scornfully. "Nigel Bruce, you are an arrant donkey and far too good to be wasted on a bold, unscrupulous, scheming woman! You shan't marry her. Hold!" I said, suddenly stopping in the midst of my sentence. "I've thought of a plan to rescue you! I'll tell you what it is, old fellow—I'll go in for the fair lady myself and cut you out! If I, a much wealthier man than you, appear as a possible suitor, I am much mistaken in the maiden if she does not throw you overboard."

Well, the rest is soon told. I began paying Miss Hedley marked attention—so much attention that my mother and sister showed symptoms of uneasiness.

One day Maggie came to me looking rather agitated.

"Is it true, Tom," she asked, "that you are going to take Flossie to the theater tonight? She has just been telling me so."

"It is quite true," I replied.

"But, Tom," she urged, "do you think it is right? What would Mr. Bruce think if he knew?"

"Look here, Maggie," I answered sententiously, "don't you bother your pretty head about my affairs. I am quite capable of taking care of myself."

Well, on the night of the theater I suppose my attentions showed such a marked inclination to become "intentions" that the following afternoon Bruce received a charmingly worded little note giving him his conge. Directly I saw his radiant face I knew what had happened.

"It's all very well for you," I said, "but how must I get out of it?"

"Oh, tell her fairly and squarely that you respect, admire and esteem her, but your heart it is another's, etc."

And then he looked me in the face meaningly, and we both burst out laughing.

It was at that period of my career I discovered it was very easy to give advice, but very hard to follow. The end of it was that my lawyer settled the matter in an entirely satisfactory manner to all concerned.

Only to this day Maggie, who was married to Nigel last Christmas, declares we were both wrong to carry out such a mean plot. She also says if she had known of it she would never have consented to become Mrs. Bruce.

A New Cure.

The Buffalo Commercial says that a little boy came home one day soon after the fall term of school had opened with the following note duly signed by the principal:

Mr. Judkins:

Dear Sir—It becomes my duty to inform you that your son shows decided indications of astigmatism, and his case is one that should be attended to without delay.

The father sent the following answer the next day:

Mr. Kershaw:

Dear Sir—Whip it out of him. Yours truly,
HIRAM JUDKINS.

General Stark In a Hole.

There is nothing like old letters and old diaries for bringing history to life again. What historian has drawn such a picture of the hero of Bennington as this, borrowed from the journal of Colonel Israel Angel of Rhode Island? Even the spelling gives color to the truth of the account:

"Septr 21st 1780. A Rany morning bnt Soon broak away the gentlemen met again this day to Settle the dispute between Barron Steuben and Col Hazen but did not finish the business, went to dobbs Ferry in the afternoon on our way back a merry sceau happened Genl Stark going to water his hors at a place Call'd The Stole, mired him, and got him into the mud and mire. The Genl Got out without aney damage Except bedaubing himself with mud, the adj. gen. allso mired his hors, but he got out without difficulty. Genl. Stark was drawd out by the Soldiers."—Youth's Companion.

Imitation Teeth.

At an earlier period in the development of the art imitation teeth were made as perfect as possible, in respect to both shape and whiteness, so that their very freedom from blemish often rendered their falsity more conspicuous. Nowadays the matter is better understood, and defects are purposely made in order to contribute to illusion.

Recrimination.

First Boy—Your father must be an awful mean man. Him a shoemaker and makin you wear them old boots!

Second Boy—He's nothin to what your father is. Him a dentist, and your baby only got one tooth!—Irish Independent.

AFTER RAIN.

The country road at lonely close of day
Has rest awhile from the long stress of rain;
Dripping and bowed, the green walls of the lane
Reflect no glistening light; no colors gay
Has dying summer left; the sky is gray,
As though the weeping had not eased the pain;
The autumn is not yet, and all in vain
Seems summer's life—a blossom cast away!
The air is hushed, save in the emerald shade
The rain still drops and stirs each fretting leaf
To soft insistence of its little grief;
The hopeless calm all thought of life denies;
But, hark, and now through silence, unafraid,
A robin ripples to the chilly skies.
—Helen Hay in Harper's Magazine.

A Useful Coin.

A strange parson who had preached in a Staffordshire parish was amazed at the conduct of the warden, who, after the service, proceeded to take from the plate the largest coin thereon and carefully pocket it. "What are you about?" he gasped.

The warden only smiled. "I have led the collection in this church for a dozen years with this half crown," he remarked, "and I am not going to part with it."

Neighborliness.

Mr. Moveoft—Well, my dear, how do you find the neighbors here—sociable?

Mrs. Moveoft—Very. Three of four of them have sent in to ask if I would allow their children to use our piano to practice on.—Sketchy Bits.

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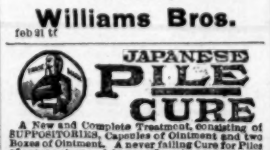

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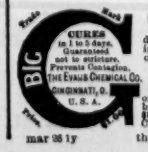

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Passenger Train			Passenger Train	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	5 22	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 02	7 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

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DAILY 9.25 A. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.10 A. M., Warsaw 11.24 A. M., Goldsboro 11.31 A. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.49 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.02 P. M., Petersburg 5.26 P. M., Richmond 7.22 P. M., Norfolk 5.45 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.55 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.31 P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 6.45 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.53 P. M., Weldon 1.30 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 3.10 A. M., Richmond 4.00 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.05 A. M., New York 1.05 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 6.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 2.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.35 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.35 P. M., Denmark 5.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2.45 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.10 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York †2.55 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 5.05 A. M., Petersburg 6.40 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.20 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 6.55 A. M., Philadelphia 11.32 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.12 P. M., Richmond 6.57 P. M., Petersburg 7.45 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.10 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 5.57 A. M., Goldsboro 6.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.08 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 9.00 A. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.00 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 2.20 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 5.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.06 P. M., Florence 9.35 A. M., Marion 10.25 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.12 P. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.50 P. M., arrive Wilmington 6.45 P. M.

EAST BOUND

DAILY 7.25 P. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.50 P. M., arrive Wilmington 6.45 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.05 A. M., Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Parkton 10.41 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.58 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.39 P. M. Returning, leave Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.50 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 4.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 5.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.25 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M., and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10 10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, daily except Sunday, 6.00 A. M.; arriving Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.00 A. M., 2.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.30 A. M., 4.00 P. M. Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6 45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.33 A. M., Dillon 10.42 A. M., Rowland 10.56 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.26 P. M., Latta 6.42 P. M., Pee Dee 7.08 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Conway 1.30 P. M.; returning leave Conway 3.40 P. M. arrive Chadbourn 5.30 P. M. leave Chadbourn 5.35 A. M.; arrive Kirod 8.30 A. M., returning leave Kirod 8.40 P. M., arrive Chadbourn 11.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 3.35 P. M., Manning 5.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.02 A. M., Manning 8.47 A. M.; arrive Sumter 10.55 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., †7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10 A. M., †8.30 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M., 5.35 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 2.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.00 P. M.; arrive Darlington 9.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.52 P. M., Gibson 10.30 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 28.

AFFAIRS IN ST. PETERSBURG.

Proposition to Place the City Under Martial Law Considered at a Council of the Ministers.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG March 26 —It is reliably reported that at a ministerial committee meeting held in the presence of Grand Duke Vladimir, commander of the St. Petersburg garrison, the proposal to place the capital under martial law, should there be indications of further trouble, was heatedly debated. M. DeWitte, the finance minister, was energetically opposed to the establishment of martial law, owing to financial reasons, not to mention the disastrous effect which it would have upon industry, commerce and the country's standing with foreign capitalists. The committee accordingly sanctioned the issuing of a circular which has been issued by the ministry of the interior:

The examination of the 1,150 political prisoners is now being conducted in secret by the police. Thirty-six prisoners who were arrested, as leaders of the student movement, before the last riots, will probably be released custody to morrow and will be excluded from the University for different periods.

It is reported from trustworthy sources that the government has decided to make unofficial concessions to the students, and accordingly the military regulations against student agitators are, therefore, set aside for the present, though there will be no public announcement to this effect for some time. The prisoners will not be drafted into the army. This is one of the results of the ministerial meeting.

ARMY IN THE PHILIPPINES.

War Department Plans for the Maintenance of 50,000 Men Until Order Has Been Restored.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The present plans of the War Department contemplate the maintenance of an army of 50,000 men in the Philippines until order has been completely established under the proposed new civil government and the garrisons can safely be reduced to a peace footing. There are now 65,000 troops in the Philippines and China and the original plan was to maintain an army of 60,000 in the Philippines until a stable government had been established. The plan was to replace the volunteers, numbering about 25,000, with regulars to an extent sufficient to keep all existing garrisons throughout the archipelago, but it has been found to be impracticable to do so under existing conditions with the short time intervening before the first of July next when the entire volunteer army must be disbanded.

The failure of the plan is due to the lack of available officers in this country to organize the new regiments authorized by Congress and not so much to the difficulty of recruiting the regiments.

COTTON GROWERS IN TEXAS.

Call for Meetings to Be Held in Every County to Agree Upon a Reduction in Acreage

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DALLAS, TEXAS, March 27.—Colonel E. S. Peters, president of the Texas Cotton Growers' Protective Association, to day issued a call to cotton growers of every county in Texas to meet at their respective court houses on the first Saturday in April, to agree on a reduction in the acreage of cotton. In his call President Peters says:

"If the cotton acreage of the South be increased the price for the staple will go below six cents next Fall, which will result in the greatest financial calamity that has befallen the Southern farmers in years. Now is the time for action, because the price for the staple will be fixed according to the acreage planted this Spring."

As a further reason for reducing the acreage, President Peters cites the closing down of the cotton mills of the country, which, he says, is done for the purpose of depressing the price of cotton.

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State Department Changes Plans—U. S. Cruiser Ordered to Leave Tangier.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHIGTON, March 27.—Secretary Long to-day cabled an order to Admiral Rogers, on board the cruiser New York, at Tangier, to proceed at once with that vessel to Manila. This is an abandonment of the plan to have the New York convey United States Consul General Gummere from Tangier to Mazagan, in the attempt to collect American claims. It is the purpose of the State Department to endeavor to adjust these claims and other outstanding issues against Morocco without any show of force, and in the ordinary practice of diplomacy.

INDECISIVE ENCOUNTERS

Reported Daily Between Boers and British Forces in Cape Colony.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CAPE TOWN, March 27.—Indecisive encounters at widely separated points are reported daily. Fighting took place yesterday at Tarkastad and Henningfontein, both in Cape Colony. The casualties were few. A commando numbering two hundred, under Commandant Fourie, was dispersed at Thaba N'Chu.

According to reports received here the hills above Dewetsdorp, just reoccupied by General Bruce Hamilton, were also the scene of a fight lasting several hours yesterday.

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PENDING FINAL SETTLEMENT

Of the Chinese Troubles—China's Convention With Russia Regarding Manchuria Not Yet Signed—Negotiations Still Continue

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 27. — The British government has protested against China's making a convention with any Power touching territorial or financial affairs until the present troubles in that country are concluded. The fact of the British protest was made known here for the first time to day by a dispatch from one of the foreign offices of Europe. It states that the protest was made through Sir Ernest Satow, the British minister at Pekin. It does not state when the representations were made, but from the fact that the dispatch was received in Washington to day it is taken that the protest has been within the past day or two. Although the Russian agreement is not specially referred to, it is said to be clear that the British action is directed against the Russian agreement. The language appears to be similar to that used by Secretary Hay in the American protest. The effect of the British action is to place the United States, Japan and Great Britain in formal opposition to the arranging of a convention with any Power pending the settlement of the Chinese troubles.

The concurrence of these protests probably explains why the Manchurian agreement has not been signed. There was no definite information received here to day at the State Department or at any of the foreign embassies as to whether the agreement had been signed or rejected.

There was something of a stir in diplomatic quarters over the report, coming from official sources, that the United States was considering the advisability of addressing Russia directly on the subject. Heretofore the American objections to the Manchurian agreement have been addressed to China. Copies were furnished the Russian authorities, though the protest in form has been sent to China and not to Russia. Several of the foreign representatives advised their governments that this step was contemplated by the United States, but there is no official information available as to how far the consideration of the move has proceeded.

Agreement Not Yet Signed.

PEKIN, March 27.—The Chinese had not signed the Manchurian agreement last night when the time expired.

LONDON, March 27.—The officials of the Japanese embassy confirm the report that an imperial decree has been issued by the court at Sian Fu, through Liu Kun Yi, the viceroy of Nankin, ordering that the Manchurian convention should be signed March 26th, the date fixed by Russia. An intimation of this decree has been telegraphed to the various governments concerned.

Negotiations Continue.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 27.—The correspondent of the Associated Press is informed on competent authority that the Russo Chinese agreement will probably be signed shortly. However, the negotiations continue and the result is not yet certain. While it is possible the details will be slightly modified, the arrangements will be substantially as demanded. According to the Russian point of view an abatement of what are there regarded as moderate demands would be inconsistent with Russian interests and would not sufficiently safeguard the frontier and railroad. The draft of the agreement now being discussed does not mention and does not affect Mongolia or Turkestan. It concerns Manchuria exclusively.

Murder of a Missionary.

PEKIN, March 26.—The ministers of the Powers do not consider that the murder of Rev. J. F. Stenehouse, of the London Missionary Society, who was killed by Chinese brigands four teen miles east of Tien Tsin recently, affects the Chinese situation politically. Mr. Rockhill, the special commissioner of the United States, says he does not consider it safe for people to travel alone in the country districts and guards cannot be supplied to the missionaries. Consequently those going into the country take considerable risk. The district in which the murder was committed is policed by foreign troops. Therefore, China is not officially responsible.

The foreign troops practically gutted Shi Nan of everything worth taking and the people there are indignant against all foreigners. The missionaries attribute the murder to the leniency of the Powers towards China, which makes them seem to be afraid.

Negotiations Hindered.

LONDON, March 28.—"The indemnity negotiations are hindered," says the Pekin correspondent of the *Morning Post*, "because Germany insists in forcing a loan upon China to meet the foreign demands. Sir Robert Hart's scheme of internal taxation would occupy fifty years.

"A conflict is believed to be imminent between the French and Chinese troops at Hwai-Lu. Li-Hung Chang had ordered the Chinese general to withdraw from the province of Chi Li and the general replied in the that he would withdraw after he had swept the foreigners out. Thereupon General Bailloud (the French commander) left Pekin to-day with permission to fight if his force should be attacked. This permission is almost equivalent to positive orders.

"The French have 1,500 men at Hwai Lu and the Chinese are reported to number 25,000. Victory would give the French command of the main road to the province of Shan Si by a better route than from Hai Ping, which the Germans have secured.

"The French intend to construct a railway to Kalgan as the first step in a trans-Mongolia line to Lake Baikal.

"A remarkable testimony was borne to the excellence of American municipal government in Pekin to day, when many thousands of Chinese assembled in the American quarter and presented a petition begging the Americans to remain."

LONDON, March 28.—Dr. Morrison, wiring to the *Times* from Pekin yesterday, says:

"Reports that the Chinese court has definitely rejected the Manchurian convention are acquiring great consistency, and the extreme reticence of Li Hung Chang's Yamen points in the same direction."

Gambling houses at Rock Springs, Ark., were closed yesterday by order of Mayor Belding, acting upon official notification from Governor Davis that he had signed the anti-gambling bill. As a result the club rooms are dark for the first time in many years. The law covers all forms of gambling outside of pool rooms.

MOBBED BY STRIKERS.

Silk Mill Superintendent Assaulted and Roughly Handled at Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WILKESBARRE, PA., March 27.—A mob of breaker boys and men and women sympathizers with the striking girls of the Bamford silk mills, of this city, set upon Superintendent Spears and his assistant this evening and for a time it looked as though there would be bloodshed.

The superintendent was on his way to this city when the crowd of breaker boys met him and with mud and stones fired volley after volley at him, jeering and yelling. When the city line was reached the mob numbered five hundred, many men and women joining it.

Three policemen assigned to the scene, met the mob and ordered it to disperse. Spears and his companion entered a traction car and the mob, surrounding it, demanded that they be ejected. The conductor at first refused to comply with the demand and the windows of the car were smashed. Later the two men were ordered to get off the car. The appearance of the superintendent was the signal for another outbreak. The police surrounded the men and while the riot progressed Spears fell senseless, with a deep gash in his jaw, inflictedby a stone thrown by a member of the mob. The officers drew their revolvers and succeeded in dispersing the crowd. They, too, were assaulted but not seriously injured. No arrests have been made.

Superintendent Spears is charged with having repudiated an agreement entered into between a former superintendent and the striking mills girls. The girls were on strike eight weeks and returned to receive an advance in wages of from 5 to 25 per cent. The management discharged Superintendent Shoemaker, who arranged the settlement, disclaiming all knowledge of the negotiations and refused to grant the demand. Another strike was inaugurated three days later and is now on.

SHIP BUILDING IN 1900.

The Output of Great Britain, the United States, Germany and France—The Largest Ship.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, March 27.—According to a report to the State Department by United States Consul Sawter, at Glauchau, the shipbuilding yards of Great Britain during 1900 turned out 1,442,471 tons of commercial vessels, against 861,692 tons by all other countries combined. With warships added, the respective amounts aggregated 1,510,835 and 1,053,792. In the last three years, however, says Consul Sawter, foreign countries have doubled their outputs, while England's has increased only fifty per cent. The United States last year led both Germany and France, the amounts of tons standing respectively 358,857; 260,751 and 165,348.

Germany turned out the largest ship the Deutschland, of 16,502 tons. Four other German steamers had each a tonnage of over 10,000. England built eight big ships, four being 12,000 tons each, and the Minnehaha 13,403. France is fast increasing her sailing fleet in consequence of subsidies and makes no headway with steamers.

In the slums Mrs. Nation prayed with the inmates of resorts and kissed several good-bye. She ended the tour with a visit to the police station, where she pleaded with the prisoners to do better. She will return to Cincinnati at 7 A. M., where she lectures Thursday night.

MRS. CARRIE NATION

Lectured at Lexington, Ky.—Started on a Slumming Tour—Several Saloons Visited and Threatened.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LEXINGTON, KY., March 27.—Mrs. Carrie Nation opened her lecture tour here to night, a small audience being present, in the Opera House. She arrived from Cincinnati at noon and after dinner in her room at the Phoenix Hotel and a brief audience with reporters, she spent the afternoon sleeping. Mrs Nation's lecture was in the main an impassioned review of her experience in Kansas. She called on Lexington women to follow her example in ridding the State of saloons. She started on a slumming tour at 10 o'clock. Several saloons were visited. A crowd of several hundred followed and the four policemen had difficulty in keeping them clear of Mrs. Nation. In one saloon she was jeered, but boldly called the proprietors to task and told them she would come back and smash their saloons when she was done with Kansas.

HOMICIDE AT HOUSTON.

Officer of the Fire Department Killed by a Girl He Had Wronged.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HOUSTON, TEXAS, March 27.—John Walsh, lieutenant in the fire department, was killed to day by Mattie Graham, daughter of a police officer. Miss Graham had recently prosecuted Walsh, alleging that he had wronged her, and he was at the time of the killing under arrest to answer to the grand jury. The girl walked behind him as Walsh left the car to go to the Central fire station, placed a revolver to his back and fired. The woman was placed under arrest.

SHOOTING AT COLUMBUS, GA.

Police Officer Killed by a Negro—The Latter Also Killed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBUS, GA., March 27.—Jim Little, a negro shot and instantly killed police officer W. S. Elliott and was himself shot and killed by Officer Wood. Little had been threatening to kill his wife and started to carry out his threat. Officers were summoned and as Elliott stepped in the door he was shot in the breast. Wood, who was following, shot the negro three times, killing him instantly.

PLAGUE IN INDIA.

Eight Thousand People Died Last Week in Bengal Alone.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 28.—The Calcutta correspondent of the *Daily Mail* says:

"Eight thousand people died of the plague last week in Bengal alone, including Calcutta. Whole towns are being deserted. There is, however, no panic."

THE CAPTURE OF AGUINALDO.

General Frederick Funston's Daring Project Was Completely Successful.

FILIPINO CHIEF A PRISONER.

Captured by United States Troops March 23d in His Hiding Place—Taken to Manila on the U. S. Gunboat Vicksburg by Funston

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, March 28.—General Frederick Funston's daring project for the capture of Aginaldo in his hiding place in the province of Isabella, Island of Luzon, has proved completely successful.

Aguinaldo was captured there March 23rd.

The United States gunboat Vicksburg, Commander E. B. Barry, with General Funston and Aguinaldo on board, arrived here this morning.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Official news of the capture of Aguinaldo had not reached the War Department up to a late hour to night. The President had retired before the Associated Press bulletin arrived and will hear the news for the first time in the morning.

CHICAGO, March 28.—General Elwell S. Otis was awakened this morning with the news that Aguinaldo had been captured by General Funston. "I am very glad to hear it," said General Otis. He added, however, that he made it a rule never to be interviewed after he had once retired for the night, and he smilingly declined to say anything further.

LINCOLN, NEB., March 28.—W. J. Bryan was this morning informed of the capture of Aguinaldo and asked for an expression of opinion. He said he preferred to wait until there was more complete verification of the report.

Mr. Bryan did not doubt the accuracy of the Associated Press bulletin, but said so many previous reports had proven without foundation that he believed it wise to postpone commenting.

DAMAGE BY FLOODS.

Widespread Inundations in New York State Caused by Heavy Rains and Melting Snow.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—From many parts of the State came news to-night of damage by flood. The waters of the river and, the smaller tributary streams are reported as overflowing their banks, causing wide spread inundations which threaten to destroy much property if not bring about loss of life before they begin to subside.

Up to midnight the only accident in which any one was injured was that due to the washing out of a culvert near Norwich and the ditching of a Delaware and Lackawanna train.

In the accident three people were slightly hurt.

This rush of water which is swelling the streams is due to heavy rains and the consequent melting of the snow which has lain for months and been deeper than usual in the central, northern and western portion of the State. Mohawk river, swollen by torrents of water flowing from the snow covered Adirondacks, is higher than at any time in almost forty years.

AN ILLINOIS MOB

Foiled in an Attempt to Lynch a Negro Charged With Murder.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GALESBURG, ILL., March 27.—A mob of 500 or more gathered here to-night bent upon lynching Ed. Jackson, a negro, who it is alleged murdered Engineer Charles Rowe last night. The mob met and marched on the jail in a body. News of the coming reached Sheriff Matthews and he smuggled Jackson out of jail into a carriage and the prisoner was driven to Monmouth. Committees from the mob searched the jail and finding the prisoner gone the crowd dispersed at the solicitation of prominent citizens.

The North German Lloyd steamer Grosser Kurfurst, which has arrived at New York from Bremen, brought 1,954 steerage passengers. The largest number of steerage passengers previously carried by one ship was 1,814 brought on the steamer Barbarossa, of the same line, eleven days ago. These two great ship loads of people show an unusually heavy German immigration for March.

The Japanese cruiser Iwate, recently constructed at the Elswick works, England, left for the Far East early Tuesday morning instead of departing next Saturday, as was originally intended. She shipped her ammunition while she was coaling, and so hastily that portions were left behind.

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WARM WIRELETS.

Baseball at Norfolk: Score—Georgetown College, 10; Norfolk, 3.

Postmaster General Smith yesterday gave an emphatic denial to the stories that he intended to resign his office.

The board of governors of the New York Stock Exchange have decided to suspend business on Good Friday, April 5th, and on Saturday, April 6th.

The National City Bank of New York has arranged to ship 1,250,000 francs gold by to day's steamer and 1,000,000 marks to Berlin, either to-morrow or Saturday.

Twelve fresh cases of bubonic plague at Cape Town were officially reported yesterday. Eight of the victims are Europeans and four are colored persons. Two colored victims died.

It is officially announced at Rome that at a secret consistory to be held April 15th and a public consistory three days later, Archbishop Martinelli will be raised to the cardinalate.

Charles D. Pierce, the representative of the Orange Free State in New York, says that there is no truth in the story circulated in Paris that Mr. Kruger is to come to this country to give a series of lectures.

Burglars at New Orleans entered the home of John Favalona, on Perdito street. They were resisted and killed Favalona and his daughter, Annie. After committing the double murder the burglars ransacked the house.

The little Norwegian fruit steamer Gwent from Banes, Cuba, with a cargo of bananas is ashore at Long Beach, L. I. It is believed that the vessel will be a total loss. There were six passengers aboard the fruiter. All were rescued.

British steamer King Bleddyn, which sailed from New York on March 10th for Hull, put into Fayal with decks swept, boats and bridges gone, and with other damage. Captain Liddle and two members of the vessel's crew were drowned.

Near Williamson, W. Va., Charles Core, 20 years old, shot and killed a seven-year old son of John Hogar and seriously wounded the father, because some one had stoned his horse. He escaped to Kentucky.

Among the safeguards to be utilized hereafter for the safety of Emperor William when he appears in public, will be four bodyguards on bicycles. The coachman and footman will be armed with revolvers.

A collision between a passenger and a freight train occurred on the Chicago and Northwestern railroad at Little Rapids, Wis., resulting in the killing of the engineer of the passenger train and the injuring of seven others.

General Powell Clayton, ambassador to Mexico, who is in Little Rock, Ark., attending a meeting of the Republican State Central committee, announces that he has promised to served four years more as a representative of the United States in Mexico.

Fully 3,000 people were crowded into the new Irving Hall, New York city, last night, at a mass meeting of Russian sympathizers. The object of the meeting was to discuss the recent political demonstration in St. Petersburg.

Rev. W. C. Winslow, Boston, Mass., vice president of the Egypt exploration fund, has received official word that Prof. Petrie has unearthed at Abydos the records of kings before Mena, the founder of the first dynasty, nearly 4,800 B. C.

In an address to the students at Stanford University, Cal., President Hadley, of Yale, outlined an ideal system of education, in which all the American universities should join for the common good of educational progress and economy.

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Miss Lillian Roenheld, a graduate from the Conservatory of Music, Paris, is the violin soloist of the Chicago Germania Club. Miss Roenheld used Peruna as a tonic, when run down by overwork. She speaks of it in the following glowing terms:

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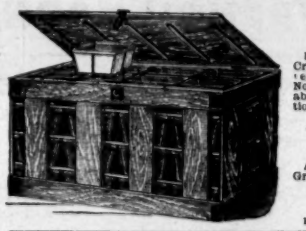

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